

FOUR JURORS CHOSEN TO TRY LOUIS DISBROW

Long Island Farmers Scramble to Serve in the Double Murder Trial to Get the \$2 a Day Pay, but Many Are Rejected.

Prisoner Calmly Meets the Charge that He Killed Dimple Lawrence and Clarence Foster—Prosecutor Says He Has a Strong Case.

(Special to The Evening World.)

RIVERHEAD, Jan. 12.—Promptly at 1 o'clock this afternoon Supreme Court Justice Samuel T. Maddox convened the Suffolk County Court to begin the trial of Louis A. Disbrow, indicted for the murder of Clarence Foster and "Dimple" Lawrence, a seventeen-year-old girl, at Good Ground last June.

The court-room was crowded when Justice Maddox took his seat. There were sixty-one farmer talemen, all hoping to be called as jurymen. They want the \$2 a day.

Nine minutes after court was convened District-Attorney Smith told the Sheriff to bring Disbrow into court.

Without delay the prisoner was brought into the court-room. He is a handsome young man, possibly 5 feet 7 inches in height and of slender physique. He parts his dark brown hair in the middle so that it crimps over his temples. He has blue eyes and fair skin that tans easily. Even to-day he showed a trace of the tan of last summer.

The prisoner was dressed in black and wore a small black butterfly bow necktie. As he sat down he shook hands with his counsel.

FIRST TALESMAN CALLED.

George P. Lewis, of Crab Meadows, was the first talesman called. Could not tell at first whether he had formed an opinion in the case.

Mr. Lewis was asked if counsel for the defense had been his lawyer.

"Yes," he said.

"Is he your counsel, now?"

"I don't know. I ain't got no use for a lawyer. I ain't got nothin' agin him."

The talesman was clearly anxious to get on the jury. He couldn't understand the questions put to him and was excused.

Isaac W. Gould, a Lake Grove farmer, said that he had no conscientious scruples about capital punishment. He was all at sea concerning the meaning of conscientious scruples about convicting a man without direct evidence. Finally, when the meaning of the District-Attorney was made clear to him, he was turned over to Mr. Miles. Mr. Gould is about sixty years old. He was disappointed when excused.

MORE TALESMEN CALLED.

G. Clarence Cooper, of Mattituck, was challenged, and Justice Maddox issued an order for the drawing of an extra panel of sixty talemen.

While the clerk was calling out the names of the new panel young Disbrow chatted and laughed with his father. Both seemed encouraged by the sentiment shown in the court room in favor of the accused.

William Fanning, of Laurel, the next talesman, said that he had formed a strong opinion, but that his opinion might be overruled by strong evidence. He was accepted by the defense. The prosecution challenged him, but Justice Maddox overruled the objection when the talesman said that he would not carry that bias into the jury box. He was challenged peremptorily by the prosecution.

The State used up the second of its peremptory challenges on the next man. Three others were excused in rapid succession because they believed the defendant is innocent and would not be likely to change their opinion so matter what the circumstances were.

William Prime, Huntington, L. I., was the first juror selected. He is a farmer and is the foreman.

Juror No. 2 is Theodore E. Woodhull, farmer, of Wading River.

Alonso C. Buffett, the next man called, was accepted by both sides as juror No. 3. He is a farmer in Huntington.

The next man called, Nathan F. Corwin, a Sag Harbor carpenter, was accepted as juror No. 4.

CROWD TO SEE HIS FATHER.

There was a big crowd at the station to see T. A. Disbrow and J. P. Disbrow, father and brother of the accused, when the 11:08 o'clock train reached here from Long Island City.

On board the train were also Justice Samuel Maddox, who is to try the case; Lawyers Lynch and Miles, of counsel for the defense, and witnesses and detectives from Good Ground, Jamaica and Queens.

Lawyer Miles said: "We expect to knock the case of the prosecution full of holes. Disbrow is innocent and will be acquitted."

When asked if Disbrow's former wife was the most important witness against him, Mr. Miles said: "I know nothing about the details of the case of the other side."

Mr. Disbrow went over to see his son in the jail.

While walking up to the jail Mr. Disbrow said he fully expected his son would be exonerated and that if necessary he would spend every dollar he possessed to secure that end and vindicate his boy and the family's good name.

MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED WITNESSES.

Down in this section of the State of New York they are accustomed to hold trials with celerity. The judges and lawyers work from beginning to end. Doubtless sessions will be held in the evenings until the case of Disbrow is decided. Hard as they may work, however, it is doubtful if there can be a conclusion before the proceedings have become tedious. District-Attorney Livingston Smith has summoned seventy witnesses to testify for the prosecution. Rowland Miles, counsel for Disbrow, has summoned many witnesses.

"We have an extremely strong case against Disbrow," District-Attorney Smith said to-day before court was opened for the selection of a jury. "The most important witness that we have is Disbrow's former wife, from whom he was separated by the courts. At the time of the murder, June 9, Disbrow's wife was living with her family, the Everitts, at Queens, where they have been known and respected for years. Disbrow sent his wife a telegram, saying, 'Meet me at the station alone. It is important. I have something to tell you.'"

Justice Everitt, as she is now known, met Disbrow as he requested, to hear what he had to say, but she did not go alone. Her sister was there with her.

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LOUIS DISBROW, THE COUPLE OF WHOSE MURDER HE IS ACCUSED, AND TWO WOMEN WHO AID PROSECUTION.



MANCHESTERS SAIL JAN. 14.

Duke and Duchess Will Visit America Soon.

LONDON, Jan. 12.—The White Star line steamer Celtic, which is to sail from Liverpool Jan. 14 for New York, will have among her passengers the Duke and Duchess of Manchester, the Earl and Countess of Carnarvon, George Westinghouse and R. McCreary.

LEFT WIFE DAY AFTER MARRIAGE.

Now Mrs. Durham Wants a Legal Separation—Husband Says She Threatened Suicide.

Suit for separation was entered before Justice Maddox, in the Brooklyn Supreme Court to-day, by Mrs. Cora Durham against her husband, Arthur, in which she alleges desertion and failure to support.

According to the papers filed, they were married July 10 of last year at the home of the bride's parents, No. 108 Bergen street, Brooklyn. The next day Durham left his wife and she did not see him until July 23, when, it is alleged, he stood at the door of her room where she was ill in bed and told her mother that he did not love his wife and that while he was willing to help her and be her friend, he would not live with her.

The papers allege that he is living now at the home of his father, No. 29 West Ninety-fourth street, Manhattan.

Last October Durham sued for an annulment of the marriage, alleging that his wife had threatened to kill herself if he did not marry her. In his present answer, in which he alleges that he is willing to support his wife, Durham says that he withdrew the annulment suit because of another threat of suicide on his wife's part.

Pending a trial of the suit Justice Maddox ordered the payment of \$6 a week alimony and \$100 counsel fee.

RENTED ROOM TO ROB.

Two Youths Accused of Shrewd Burglary of a Silk Factory.

Raphael Liguori and his brother Alfred, twenty and eighteen years old respectively, were arraigned in Jefferson Market Court to-day on a charge of stealing silk valued at \$2,000 from Blum's silk factory at No. 90 University place on the night of Jan. 2. They were held in \$2,000 bail.

The Liguoris, who live at No. 35 Second avenue, rented a room on Jan. 2 from Mrs. Brodsky, at No. 88 University place. It was a rear room on the second floor. During the night the young thieves climbed through the window and gained access to Blum's factory next door. They hacked up the silk in their room and got out of the house with it while Mrs. Brodsky and the rest of her boarders were asleep. They were arrested yesterday afternoon by Detective-Sergeants McMillan and Kinstler, who had been assigned to the case.

FOUGHT STILETTO DUEL.

Men Met in Combat and One Nearly Lost an Arm.

Ferdinando Carvia, of Second street, New Brighton, is dying in the Smith infirmary as the result of having his right arm almost severed from his body in a knife duel with Joseph Destasia, another Italian who roomed with him in the same boarding-house.

It is said that they quarreled over a young girl they were both courting and finally decided to settle the matter with stilettes. Carvia was found in the roadway bleeding profusely from a wound that almost severed his right arm from his body. Destasia escaped.

BUNCOED MINER AVENGER NOW.

Causes Arrest of Man Who, He Says, Robbed Him of Savings on Steamship Pier.

Detective Sergeants Larson and Moody, of the Central Office, arraigned two men before Magistrate Zeller in the Tombs Court to-day, charged with obtaining \$250 from John Widneytsky, of Scranton, Pa., by means of a confidence game.

The men were arrested Saturday at the Red D Line pier, where, according to the detectives, they were playing the same game. Widneytsky is a miner, and alleged at Police Headquarters that on Jan. 3 he met two men at the Red D Line dock. He was on his way to Belgium.

One of the men told him that he had a sister living in Slavonia, and asked Widneytsky if he would not be so good as to hand her a bunch of money when he got to the town where both lived, or else leave it with the postmaster. He consented and the man skinned off \$250 from his roll and handed it to Widneytsky.

Then he suggested that they put their money together and Widneytsky again consented. The two men presently went away and Widneytsky then thought he would be sure of his money. On investigating the breast pocket, where he had placed the "\$500," Widneytsky found himself possessed of a bunch of blank paper, about which was wrapped a \$2 bill.

He complained to the Detective Bureau and went back to Scranton, as his money was all gone. The prisoners were arrested from his description of them. They were remanded for examination to-morrow.

SPIRIT HUSBAND TOOK BRIDE AWAY

He Died Two Weeks Ago, Saying "I'll Return for You in Two Weeks," and Kept His Word.

There is a considerable stir among the spiritualists in Staten Island over the death of Mrs. Nora Dimore, of Manhattan street, Port Wadsworth, who died very suddenly on Saturday night of heart disease.

Two weeks ago Christian Dimore, a retired army officer, the woman's husband, died after a lingering illness. He was a spiritualist, and a few minutes before he died he said to his wife: "I will return for you in two weeks."

Last Saturday Mrs. Dimore spent the day with friends and appeared to be in the best of health. She returned home early in the evening, and as she was entering her room she fell across the threshold dead.

Overdue Steamer Reaches Port.

YOKOHAMA, Jan. 12.—The American steamer Pleiades, Capt. Purinton, which sailed from Seattle, Wash., Dec. 4, arrived here yesterday. She was about sixteen days overdue.

BUILDING STRIKE ON JERSEY COAST.

(Special to The Evening World.)
LONG BRANCH, N. J., Jan. 12.—Every union mechanic employed on buildings from Atlantic Highlands to Point Pleasant went on strike to-day as the result of their refusal to work with non-union men.

The strikers say that the bosses or contractors must either employ all union men or all non-union men, but that any contractor who has all non-union men upon a job the union men will not interfere with.

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GRANDSON SHOT HIM AS THIEF.

Aged Archibald Sheldon Was Mistaken by Youth on Watch for a Roost Plunderer and Filled with Buckshot.

HE IS VERY LIKELY TO DIE.

(Special to The Evening World.)
DENVER, N. J., Jan. 12.—Archibald Sheldon, who was accidentally shot by his grandson, is at the point of death, and hope for his recovery has been abandoned. He is conscious at times and begs that the boy be released from all blame.

Mr. Sheldon is a wealthy resident of this town. He was shot early yesterday morning. William Sheldon mistaking him for a thief who has recently raided the chicken roost. A full charge of buckshot struck the old man in the groin and stomach.

Chicken thieves become such an annoyance in the neighborhood that the youths decided to take turns watching by night. Early Sunday morning as William Sheldon and James Jarvis were on watch they saw a man try to enter the hen house.

Jarvis leveled the gun and fired, but his aim was poor and the man escaped. The shot was heard throughout the neighborhood and Mr. Sheldon came out to learn the cause of it. His grandson mistook him for the thief and fired point blank.

With a cry of pain the old man sank to the ground. The boys ran to his side, still thinking they had wounded the thief, when they were horrified to see that it was William's grandfather. Others in the family were called and the wounded man was carried into the house.

It was some time before he regained consciousness. "Clear the boys. It was not their fault. I alone was to blame," he said and again lapsed into unconsciousness.

William Sheldon is heartbroken and remains constantly at the bedside of the injured man. It is likely that no arrest will be made.

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